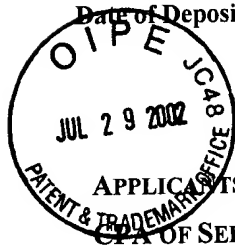


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PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No. 15966-539 CPA2 (CURA-39 CPA2)



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Rothberg et al.

CPA OF SERIAL NUMBER: 09/417,386

EXAMINER: J. Taylor

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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)

1. This is a request for filing a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) of the above-identified prior nonprovisional application
2. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time is enclosed herewith. (1 pg)
3. A check No. 13518 in the amount of \$920.00 is enclosed as the requisite fee.
4. An Office Action was mailed in this case on January 29, 2002. The extended term for response or taking action for the Office Action expires on July 29, 2002.
5. A Response to the January 29, 2002, Office Action is filed herewith. (21 pp)
6. Fees associated with this application have been calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) \$740.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	19	- 20 =	0	\$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	4	- 3 =	1	\$84.00	\$84.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))	-0-			\$270.00	
SUBTOTAL:					\$824.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity:					\$0.00
TOTAL FEE:					\$824.00

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**FIRST-NAMED INVENTOR: Rothberg**  
**Request for New Nonprovisional Application (37 C.F.R. §1.53(d))**

6. Check No. 13521 in the amount of **\$824.00** is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due, or credit overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 15966-539 CPA2 (CURA-39 CPA2).
7. A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: July 29, 2002

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